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Ms Anne Quinlan, Acting Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
395 E Street S W
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**Re: STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub. No. 456X) BNSF Railway Company—Abandonment
Exemption – in Riverside County, California**

Dear Acting Secretary Quinlan

On August 9, 2007, BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) filed a Notice of Exemption to abandon service of 0.50 miles of railroad line that extends between ES 0 + 00 and ES 26 + 35, in Riverside County, California. The line traverses United States Postal Service Zip Code 92504.

By decision served August 29, 2007, the STB granted the exemption authority to abandon effective September 28, 2007. Within that same decision, the STB stated that the abandonment is to be consummated by August 29, 2008.

BNSF is currently in negotiations with the city of Riverside, CA for acquisition of the line. The city will use the property to construct a fire training facility for its emergency response team. As part of the sale conditions, the city will assume responsibility for all salvage work. BNSF, therefore, requests an extension of the consummation deadline until August 28, 2009, in order to allow sufficient time to close its sale with the city.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date-stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Ten (10) additional copies of this letter are attached for the Board's use and distribution.

Sincerely,

Kristy D Clark
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cc Susan Odom

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